

## **JASPER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Minutes of the Meeting – March 4, 2014

The Jasper Redevelopment Commission met on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street. Notice was given in compliance with Indiana's Open Meeting Law.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President John Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

President John Bell	present
Vice President John Schroeder	present
Secretary John Kahle	present
Member Andrew Seger	present
Member Ray Howard	present
Non-voting advisor Bernie Vogler	present

Also Present:

Renee Kabrick - Commission's Attorney

Kathy Pfister – Recording Secretary

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice President John Schroeder made a motion to approve the Commission's minutes as presented from the February 4, 2014, Regular Meeting. Andy Seger seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

### **ED CURTIN PRESENTATION**

Ed Curtain, of CWC Latitudes, gave a presentation explaining his company and, if hired as a consultant, how he would help the City use redevelopment tools, such as tax increment financing (TIF) to develop areas in the city. With the City considering implementation of a TIF district, Mr. Curtain would help determine the best place for such a district.

Following some discussion, Andy Seger made a motion to approve the professional service agreement allowing Mr. Curtain to be hired as the City's consultant, contingent upon City Attorney Kabrick's review of the final form. Ray Howard seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Kabrick said she will present an update concerning the details of the contract in regards to the scope of the work, a proposed timeline, etc. at next month's meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF ANNUAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN REGARDS TO BRAD ECKERLE SERVING ON ADVISORY TEAM COMMITTEE FOR THE PARKLANDS.**

Attorney Kabrick explained that Brad Eckerle, of Brosmer Land Surveying, was asked to serve on the Advisory board for the development of a plan for The Parklands and submitted a conflict of interest disclosure form due to the possibility of Brosmer Land Surveying doing some work on the development of the said project.

Secretary Kahle made a motion to approve the disclosure statement. Andy Seger seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

## **LAND PURCHASE OPTIONS FOR PARKLANDS TO THE SCHOOL**

Attorney Kabrick presented a proposed Option-to-Purchase agreement based on the comments she received from various groups, which would give the Greater Jasper School Corporation the option to purchase 10 acres on The Parklands property.

The Board was in agreement that it would be easier to sell 10 acres instead of 15 without too much impact on the aesthetics of The Parklands. Attorney Kabrick replied that the proposed agreement was not a final decision, stating that whichever agreement is settled upon, option-to-purchase or outright purchase, each agreement would carry the same terms.

Secretary Kahle said, in his opinion, the board should honor the original verbal agreement and offer the property to the school corporation in an outright sale rather than an option to purchase. The other board members said the option to purchase was more appropriate since the school corporation does not have an official plan for the property.

Following some discussion, Vice President Schroeder made a motion to proceed with the Option-to-Purchase agreement. Ray Howard seconded it. Secretary Kahle voted nay. Motion carried 4-1. Secretary Kahle said he proposes an outright sale.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no more discussion at hand, a **motion** was made by Secretary Kahle and seconded by Andy Seger to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

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John Bell, President

ATTEST:

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John Kahle, Secretary